

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

What is claimed is:

1-89. (canceled)

90. (currently amended) In a multi-user computer network, a method for obtaining and displaying information relating to existence of at least one object in an image comprising:
assigning a unique user identification to a providing user;
accepting identification information about said providing user;
storing said unique user identification and said identification information about said providing user in a provider users database on a second computer;
obtaining image data comprising at least one object from said providing user;
assigning a unique image identification to said image data;
storing said unique image identification and said unique user identification in an identifications database on said second computer;
presenting a client interface on a first computer configured for said at least one providing user ~~of a plurality of providing users~~ to provide identifying information;
presenting a second client interface on said first computer configured for said ~~at least one~~ providing user ~~of said plurality of providing users~~ to create at least one contact relationship with another user; ~~between said plurality of providing users;~~
obtaining said identifying information from said ~~at least one~~ providing user wherein said identifying information comprises information that uniquely identifies said at least one object in said image data and wherein said identifying information further comprises location information that identifies coordinates of said at least one object and wherein said identifying information further comprises data obtained from a list of said at least one contact relationship;
storing said identifying information on said [[a]] second computer where said identifying information is searchable by a plurality of searching users;

presenting a search interface to at least one searching user of said plurality of searching users;
receiving a request for at least one image within said image data from said at least one searching user, where said at least one image comprises at least one result object;
performing a query that returns said at least one result object found in said image data;
obtaining data associated with said at least one result object from said second computer in response to said request, said data represents said identifying information provided by said ~~at least one providing user of said plurality of providing users~~ for said at least one result object, said data further comprising said identification information about said providing user; and,
presenting said data associated with said at least one result object to said at least one searching user that initiated said request and presenting said identifying information at said coordinates of said at least one object.

91-97. (cancelled)

98. (currently amended) In a multi-user computer network, a method for obtaining and displaying information relating to existence of at least one object in an image comprising:
assigning a unique user identification to a providing user;
accepting identification information about said providing user;
storing said unique user identification and said identification information about said providing user in a provider users database on a second computer;
obtaining at least one image data comprising at least one object from said providing user;
assigning a unique image identification to said image data;
storing said unique image identification and said unique user identification in an identifications database on said second computer;
presenting a client interface on at least one first computer configured for said ~~at least one~~ providing user ~~of a plurality of providing users~~ to provide identifying information associated with said image data;

presenting a second client interface on said at least one first computer for said ~~at least one~~
providing user ~~of said plurality of providing users~~ to create at least one contact
relationship with another user; ~~between plurality of providing users~~;

obtaining said identifying information from said ~~at least one~~ providing user of said plurality of
providing users wherein said identifying information comprises information that uniquely
identifies said at least one object in said image data and wherein said identifying
information further comprises location information that identifies coordinates of said at
least one object in said image data and wherein said identifying information further
comprises data obtained from a list of said at least one contact ~~contract~~ relationship;

storing said identifying information on said ~~[[a]]~~ second computer wherein said identifying
information uniquely identifies a single object within said image data and where
identifying information for said at least one image data is searchable by at least one
searching user of a plurality of searching users;

presenting a search interface on said at least one first computer to said at least one searching user
of said ~~[[a]]~~ plurality of searching users;

receiving a request for at least one search object within said at least one image data from said at
least one searching user of said plurality of searching users;

performing a query that returns at least one result image data comprising said at least one search
object wherein said at least one result image data comprises image data found in at least
one album;

obtaining data associated with said at least one result image data from said second computer in
response to said request, said data comprising said identification information about said
providing user; and

presenting said data associated with said at least one result image data and said at least one result
image data on said at least one first computer to said at least one searching user of said
plurality of searching users that initiated said request and presenting said identifying
information at said coordinates of said at least one object, said identifying information
includes one or more identifying pages presented to said at least one searching user of
said plurality of searching users.

99-102. (canceled)

103. (currently amended) A system for obtaining and displaying information relating to existence of at least one object in an image comprising:

means for assigning a unique user identification to a providing user;

means for accepting identification information about said providing user;

means for storing said unique user identification and said identification information about said providing user in a providing users database on a second computer;

means for obtaining image data comprising at least one object from said user;

means for assigning a unique image identification to said image data;

means for storing said unique image identification and said unique user identification in an identifications database on said second computer;

means for presenting a client interface on at least one first computer configured for said at least one providing user of a plurality of providing users to provide identifying information associated with said at least one object in said image data;

means for creating at least one contact relationship with another user; between said plurality of providing users;

means for obtaining said identifying information from said at least one providing user wherein said identifying information comprises information that relates to said at least one object in said image data and wherein said identifying information further comprises location information that identifies coordinates of said [[set]] of at least one object in said image data and wherein said identifying information is searchable by at least one searching user and wherein said identifying information further comprises data obtained from a list of said at least one contact relationship;

means for storing said identifying information in said [[a]] second computer wherein said identifying information uniquely identifies a single object of said at least one object;

means for presenting a search interface on said at least one first computer to at least one searching user of a plurality of searching users;

means for receiving via said search interface a request from said at least one searching user for at least one object within said image data;

means for performing a query that returns at least one result image data wherein said at least one result image data comprises image data found in at least one album and having said at least one object;

means for obtaining said at least one result image data from said second computer in response to said request;

means for obtaining corresponding identifying information associated with said at least one search object in said at least one result image data;

means for obtaining identification information about said providing user;

means for presenting via a graphical user interface said at least one result image data and said corresponding identifying information about said providing user to said to at least one searching user that initiated said request and means for presenting said identifying information at said coordinates of said at least one object; and

means for associating a hyperlink with said at least one result image data to initiate a request for other image data.

104-105. (cancelled)

106. (previously presented) The method of claim 90 wherein said at least one result object has an associated hyperlink adapted to initiate a request for other image data comprising said at least one result object.

107. (previously presented) The method of claim 98 wherein said at least one result image data presented to said at least one searching user of said plurality of searching users has an associated hyperlink adapted for initiating a request for other image data.

108. (currently amended) The method of claim 90 wherein said identifying information is provided by said at least one searching user of said plurality of users for said at least one image data.

109. (previously presented) The method of claim 90 wherein said query is performed by said plurality of searching users to produce a result comprising a same at least one result image data.

110. (previously presented) The method of claim 90 wherein said identifying information used in performing requested query by said at least one searching user comprises identifying information searchable by said at least one of said plurality of searching users.

111. (currently amended) The method of claim 98 wherein said identifying information is provided by said ~~at least one providing user; in said plurality of providing users.~~

112. (previously presented) The method of claim 98 wherein said query is performed by said plurality of searching users to produce a result comprising a same at least one result image data.

113. (previously presented) The method of claim 98 wherein said identifying information used in performing requested query by said at least one searching user comprises identifying information searchable by said at least one searching user of said plurality of searching users.

114. (currently amended) In a multi-user computer network, a method for obtaining and displaying information relating to the existence of at least one object in an image comprising:

assigning a unique user identification to a providing user;

accepting identification information about said providing user;

storing said unique user identification and said identification information about said providing user in a providing users database on at least one server computer;

obtaining image data comprising at least one object from said providing user;

assigning a unique image identification to said image data;
storing said unique image identification and said unique user identification in an identifications
database on said at least one server computer;
storing image data on said at least one server computer comprising representations of an
identifiable person;
presenting an interface on a client computer configured for ~~at least one~~ providing user to provide
identifying information about said identifiable person;
presenting a second interface on said [[a]] client computer configured for said at least one
providing user to create at least one contact relationship with another user; ~~said~~
~~identifiable person~~;
obtaining said identifying information from said providing user wherein said identifying
information comprises information that uniquely identifies said identifiable person in said
image data and wherein said identifying information further comprises location
information that identifies coordinates of said at least one object in said image data and
wherein said identifying information further comprises data obtained from a list of said at
least one contact relationship created by said at least one providing user;
storing said identifying information in said at least one server computer where said identifying
information is searchable by a plurality of searching users;
presenting a search interface on said client computer to a first at least one searching user of said
plurality of searching users;
receiving a request for said image data having said identifiable person from said first at least one
searching user, said request comprising said identifying information about said
identifiable person;
performing a first query that returns said image data having said identifiable person;
presenting said image data associated with said identifiable person to said first at least one
searching user that initiated said request and presenting said identifying information with
said image data;
presenting said search interface to a second at least one searching user of said plurality of
searching users;

receiving a request for said image data having said identifiable person from said second at least one searching user, said request comprising said identifying information about said identifiable person;
performing a second query that returns said image data having said identifiable person; and
presenting data associated with said image data and said image data associated with said identifiable person to said second at least second one searching user that initiated said request, said data associated with said image data further comprising said identification information about said providing user; and,
presenting said identifying information with said identifiable person.

115. (currently amended) In a computer system, a method for enabling website users to contribute digital photographs to a website comprising:
assigning a unique user identification to a providing user;
accepting identification information about said providing user;
storing said unique user identification and said identification information about said providing user in a providing users database on a second computer;
obtaining image data comprising at least one object from said providing user;
assigning a unique image identification to said image data;
storing said unique image identification and said unique user identification in an identifications database on said second computer;
creating a contact relationship between website users;
storing an association between said website users when said contact relationship exists;
presenting a digital photograph having at least one of said website users;
identifying which of said at least one of said website users are in said digital photograph;
accepting search values identifying said at least one of said website users; and
displaying said digital photograph and said identification information about said providing user.

116. (previously presented) The method of claim 115 wherein said search values comprises a request for a listing of said digital photograph having said at least one of said website users.

117. (currently amended) The method of claim 115 wherein said website users each have an associated email address that is unique to each specific user within said ~~group of~~ website users.

118. (new) In a multi-user computer network, a method for obtaining and displaying information relating to existence of at least one user of a computer network in an image comprising:

assigning a unique user identification to users of a computer network;

obtaining image data from at least one user of said computer network;

assigning a unique image identification to said image data;

presenting a client interface on a first computer configured for said at least one user of said

computer network to provide identifying information wherein said identifying

information comprises a user identifier of other users of said computer network;

obtaining said identifying information from said at least one providing user wherein said

identifying information comprises a user identifier of said at least one user of said

computer network in said image data and;

storing said identifying information on a second computer where said identifying information is

searchable by a plurality of searching users;

presenting a search interface to at least one searching user of said plurality of searching users;

receiving a request for at least one image within said image data from said at least one searching

user, where said at least one image comprises at least one result object;

performing a query that returns said at least one result object found in said image data;

obtaining data associated with said at least one result object from said second computer in

response to said request, said data represents said identifying information provided by

said at least one user for said at least one result object, said data further comprising

identification information about said at least one user of said computer network; and,

presenting said data associated with said at least one result object to said at least one searching

user that initiated said request;

119. (new) The method of 118, wherein said identifying information further comprises location information that identifies coordinates of said at least one result object.
120. (new) The method of 118, wherein said user identifier in said identification information obtained by said second computer from a user of said computer network is selected from a relationships between users of said computer network.
121. (new) The method of 119, wherein presenting said identifying information further displays identifying information at said coordinates of said at least one result object in said image data.
122. (new) The method of 118, wherein upon obtaining said identifying information from said at least one providing user, an email is sent to any email address associated with those users identifiers in said identifying information of said computer network, said email notifying users of said computer network that their user identifier had been associated with said image data.